

Transmittal

October 14, 2003

TO:

Hon, Frank R. Wolf

ATTN:

Neil Siefring

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

"List of state and local officials who have left office because of gambling charges (either because they were convicted or resigned

after charges were aired) ... since 1990"

A NEXIS printout of articles on state and local officials who have left office because of gambling charges or accusations has been enclosed.

To aid your office, the following list has been derived from the printout. The names are given in the order in which they appear in the printout. In some cases, the order of events is unclear — i.e., whether the person left, or was removed from, office as a result of gambling charges or accusations. Since this list consists only of the names that could be identified, it cannot be considered comprehensive or complete. In cases where multiple employees were involved, they are listed with different letters under the same number.

- 1. **Gail S. Jones**, former accounts manager for the California State Employees Association: found guilty of computer fraud and embezzlement in August 2003 in connection with "gambling addiction"; retired June 1, 2003
- 2. **Philip C. Parenti**, head of Illinois Gaming Board: <u>fired</u> by Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich on June 25, 2003: governor said Parenti's June 18, 2003 resignation from state position to work for gambling company represented conflict of interest with state ethics laws, and fired him instead
- 3. (a) Houston "Huck" Henderson, Colorado Division of Gaming chief of investigations: retired after being accused of operating casino chip collecting business (possible conflict of interest); reported June 2003 by Associated Press State & Local Wire
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- (c) Phil Wargo, Colorado Division of Gaming field operations supervisor: resigned after being accused of operating casino chip collecting business (possible conflict of interest); reported June 2003 by Associated Press State & Local Wire
- 4. (a) Gary DeCarlo, executive host at Prairie Meadows Racetrack and Casino in Altoona, Iowa: <u>fired</u> in January 2002 after being charged with placing illegal sports bets with bookie while on the job
 - (b) **Stephen Walls**, maintenance worker at Harrah's riverboat casino in Council Bluffs, Iowa: <u>fired</u> in January 2003 after placing illegal sports bets with bookie in fall 2002 while on the job
 - (c) **David Stephens**, cashier supervisor at Harrah's riverboat casino in Council Bluffs, Iowa: <u>fired</u> in January 2003 for placing illegal bets with bookie while on the job
 - (d) **Jimmie Burge Jr.**, vault attendant at Harrah's riverboat casino in Council Bluffs, Iowa: <u>fired</u> in January 2003 for placing illegal bets with bookie while on the job
 - (e) **Joe Deputy**, financial technician at Harrah's riverboat casino in Council Bluffs, Iowa: <u>fired</u> in January 2003 for placing illegal bets with bookie while on the job
 - (f) Paul Renshaw, valet at Harrah's riverboat casino in Council Bluffs, Iowa: fired in January 2003 for placing illegal bets with bookie while on the job
 - (g) Richard Traugh II, housekeeping supervisor at Harrah's riverboat casino in Council Bluffs, Iowa: <u>fired</u> in January 2003 for placing illegal bets with bookie while on the job
- 5. Rafael "Ralph" Gutierrez, state gaming representative with New Mexico Gaming Control Board: resigned in April 2003 after Albuquerque Journal newspaper reported that Gutierrez, appointed by Gov. Bill Richardson, had not disclosed ties to company that "provided a loan and supplied slot machines to an Indian casino operating unlawfully in California ... and [to] a second slot-machine company"
- 6. Edwin Edwards, former governor of Louisiana: <u>convicted</u> of racketeering and fraud charges in May 2000 (charges were upheld in August 2002) in connection with gambling activities (*NOTE*: left office in 1996 when fourth and final term of office ended)
- 7. **David Wheat**, lieutenant with Austell (GA) Police Department: <u>fired</u> in December 2001 after being charged with three counts of gambling (among other charges)
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- 11. **Joe DiJohn**, director of Pace, suburban Chicago, IL bus agency: <u>retired</u> May 31, 1998; it had been claimed that he was spending time at betting parlors and strip clubs on the job, but internal investigation cleared him of wrongdoing
- 12. **Bill Lorenz**, former Black Hawk (CO) mayor: <u>resigned</u> in 1991 "to comply with a state law that prohibits public officials from holding a gambling license"

- 13. **Jean McCaslin**, retired Clay County (MO) collector: <u>quit</u> job as part-time blackjack dealer at Harrah's North Kansas City casino in 1996 because taking such a job within two years of leaving office is prohibited under Missouri law (McCaslin retired in 1995); no indication that charges were filed
- 14. Ernie Preate Jr., Pennsylvania attorney general: resigned in 1995 after pleading guilty to fraud stemming from "taking secret campaign contributions from operators of illegal video poker machines"

We hope this information is helpful.

 \underline{NOTE} : This is a partial response to your request. Material on the other parts of your request will be coming to you from other parts of CRS.



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"List of state and local officials who have left office because of gambling charges (either because they were convicted or resigned after charges were aired) ... since 1990," focusing on Indiana, West Virginia, Connecticut, Arizona, Nevada, California, and New Jersey;

2nd RESPONSE

NEXIS printouts of articles on state and local officials who have left office since 1990 in New Jersey, Indiana, California, Connecticut, Arizona, West Virginia, and Nevada because of charges or accusations concerning gambling have been enclosed, along with a NEXIS printout of articles on similar instances in other states that were located during these searches.

As requested, the following list has been derived from the enclosed printouts. The names are given by state in the order in which they appear in the printouts. Occasionally, multiple non-sequential articles appear on the same case to show the sources of the information provided in the following list. In some cases, the order of events is unclear—i.e., whether the individual left, or was removed from, office after being charged with, or accused of, gambling. Since there is no central repository of information on state and local officials who have left office under your office's specified circumstances, this list cannot be considered comprehensive or complete.

New Jersey

- 1. **Alexander V. Oriente**, former West New York Police Department chief: charged with taking "bribes and kickbacks to shield ... illegal gambling operations," along with eight other current or former unnamed members of the force; retired in September 1997
- 2. **John G. Serafin**, Paterson police lieutenant: charged and later cleared of "misconduct charges for running a computer check on license plate numbers as a favor to the accused ringleader of a massive gambling ring in the city"; retired
- 3. **Linda George**, Paterson municipal prosecutor: charged in "crusade to eliminate illegal gambling machines in the county." but charges were later dismissed; resigned

- 4. **Carmen Borrometi**, South Hackensack police officer: accused of involvement in "a Super Bowl Sunday gambling operation"; <u>resigned</u> in January 1994
- 5. **Brian Kelly**, South Hackensack police officer: accused of involvement in "a Super Bowl Sunday gambling operation"; resigned in January 1994
- 6. **Anthony Giaquinto**, South Hackensack police officer: pleaded guilty to charges of involvement in "a Super Bowl Sunday gambling operation" in September 1994; sentenced to probation and <u>barred</u> from working "in law enforcement again" as part of plea bargain
- 7. Mark A. Olivo, Rutherford police officer: arrested and charged with running illegal casino; resigned in June 1992 following arrest
- 8. **Joseph D. Grossi**, Paterson police captain and vice squad commander: arrested in July 1989 and charged with "bribery and promoting gambling," but indictment was dismissed; April 1992 "In exchange for dismissal ... agreed to retire, never seek reinstatement in the city, and never seek employment in law enforcement in the state of New Jersey again"

Indiana

- 9. Charles F. "Cap" Wann, Lincoln Township Volunteer Fire Department chief: arrested and charged with embezzling department's fund-raising proceeds obtained from gambling operations; resigned August 25, 2003 [husband of #15]
- 10. Fairy K. "Kathy" Wann, Lincoln Township Volunteer Fire Department fundraising chairwoman: arrested and charged with embezzling department's fund-raising proceeds obtained from gambling operations; resigned August 25, 2003 [wife of #14]
- 11. Alan Slivko, East Chicago police lieutenant: pleaded guilty to "conversion" on charges "of trying to fix the outcome of a promotion campaign at Harrah's Casino in East Chicago;" suspended/placed on paid administrative leave in 2002
- 12. **Donald E. Webb Sr.**, Michigan City Police Department officer: arrested and "charged with using his job to ... provide protection to people operating illegal gambling ... establishments", and also charged with lying by "not disclosing gambling losses" when he filed for bankruptcy; <u>suspended</u> in March 2003
- 13. **Juan P. Lopez**, East Chicago police patrolman: pleaded guilty to "conversion" on charges "of trying to fix the outcome of a promotion campaign at Harrah's Casino in East Chicago;" <u>suspended/placed on paid administrative leave</u> in 2002
- 14. William Pabey, East Chicago police lieutenant: pleaded guilty to "conversion" on charges "of trying to fix the outcome of a promotion campaign at Harrah's Casino in East Chicago;" suspended/placed on paid administrative leave in 2002
- 15. Nicholas Stein, Indiana Horse Racing Commission chairman: accused of "improperly work[ing] in concert with developers of Indianapolis Downs, a race track under construction ..."; removed from office by governor in 2002
- 16. **Kenneth Dotson**, Indianapolis firefighter: charged with "promoting professional gambling" concerning illegal bingo operations; retired January 2002

California

- 17. **Johnny Venzon Jr.**, San Jose police officer: pleaded guilty in June 1998 to burglary, including robbing people on his beat to support gambling habit; <u>awarded</u> disability pension in November 1998 based on "pathological gambling"
- 18. Vince Repetto, San Francisco Police homicide inspector: accused in August 1997 of "illegal gambling and visiting unlawful bookmaking operations while on duty"; forced to surrender gun and badge "while the charges were under review... assigned to other investigative duties ..."

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- 20. **Daryl Dworakowski**, Orange County prosecutor: accused of illegal office gambling, but later cleared of wrongdoing; <u>resigned</u> in April 1997
- 21. Rick Freeman, Inglewood police officer: accused of involvement "with an alleged station house gambling ring;" fired in 1994
- 22. **Dennis Hutcheson**, California Horse Racing Board executive secretary: charged with "mishandling three horse-drugging cases;" <u>fired</u> in February 1994
- 23. Alan Robbins, state senator: "agreed to plead guilty to federal ... charges of racketeering and income tax fraud," including taking bribes "for his help with a state lottery bill ... that would have required all game tickets be produced in California," giving the firm with "the lottery's initial scratch-off game contract, Georgia-based Scientific Games Inc., [which] was the only firm to have its own printing plant in the state at the time ... a monopoly if the measure were to pass;" resigned in November 1991 and agreed to 5-year prison term without parole

Connecticut

- 24. **Joan L. Dent**, Board of Education payroll clerk: arrested on charges of embezzlement, apparently to support gambling habit; <u>fired</u> November 5, 2002
- 25. Randy Annino, Wallingford Police Department dispatcher: arrested on charges of running "betting ring while on duty;" resigned in February 1999
- 26. Paul Santoro, Darien finance officer: charged with embezzling "town's parking meter receipts," and used some of the quarters while gambling at casino; fired December 1998
- 27. Michael A. Barile, Windsor Locks police dispatcher: admitted to placing "sports bets with a police officer while on duty;" fired in 1991, but was ordered reinstated in 1992 because he was not fired "in a timely manner"
- 28. **Kenneth Kersias**, Windsor Locks patrolman: arrested January 3, 1991, and charged with "one count each of professional gambling and tampering with physical evidence"; accepted sports bets from #24; suspended without pay

Arizona

- 29. **Janie R. Luna**, Detention Information Services supervisor at Maricopa County's Madison Street Jail: arrested on June 18, 2002, "on suspicion of stealing about \$37,000 in bail money to finance an out-of-control gambling habit ... <u>Her employment will likely be terminated</u>"
- 30. **Lori Jane Bistodeau**, Wickenburg town clerk: accused in December 13, 2000 indictment of "using a town computer and credit card to place bets with online casinos," and wagers were made "[f]rom September 1998 to August 2000"; <u>lost job</u> in 2000 "for undisclosed reasons"
- 31. Carolyn Walker, Arizona Senate Majority Whip: "charged with accepting payoffs for pledging to support gambling legislation"; expelled March 20, 1991
- 32. **Jesús Higuera**, Arizona state senator: "indicted in ... vote-selling scandal" concerning support of gambling legislation [see #35]; resigned March 19, 1991

West Virginia

33. **Joseph Giaquinto**, West Virginia State Police corporal: "accused of playing poker and playing gray video lottery machines" during 1999 FBI gambling raid; <u>fired</u> June 2001

34. **Janice Harris**, Eastern Regional Jail guard and commissary clerk: accused of playing cards with prisoners and wagering "[c]andy bars from the commissary cart"; <u>fired</u> January 7, 1994

Nevada

- 35. **Judith A. Kynast**, secretary-bookkeeper for community-based Partners in Education (PIE) program/"former Washoe Country School District employee": arrested in August 2000 on embezzlement charges, admitted to "gambling problem"; "surrendered to authorities at the jail" on August 22, 2000; apparently stopped working for PIE in March 2000, but no indication of whether she was suspended or fired or whether she resigned
- 36. **Ronald D. Harris**, Nevada Gaming Control Board electronics expert: arrested on charges of running an alleged scam at Bally's Park Place Casino Hotel and "hitting a \$100,000 keno jackpot using a highly confidential computer code"; <u>fired January 1995</u>

Miscellaneous

- 37. **Ronald W. Rice**, St. Paul [MN] city inspector: charged with "possession of more than 20 illegal sport-gambling tipboards"; placed on paid leave in January 2003
- 38. Roger Curtis, St. Paul [MN] city inspections director: accused of "harbor[ing] an inspector who is accused or running an illegal sports betting operation" [see #32]; fired January 17, 2003
- 39. **David Clements Jr.**, Birmingham [AL] police officer: pleaded guilty to charge of running illegal gambling operation; <u>resigned</u> September 9, 2002
- 40. **Sandra L. Greger**, Town of Sheboygan [WI] administrator: accused of embezzlement from the town, allegedly to support "gambling habit"; resigned January 2002
- 41. **Joseph DeAnda**, Bensenville [IL] police sergeant: accused of stealing money confiscated in drug and gambling arrests; <u>retired/resigned</u> in June 2000 (article unclear on which action he took; mentions both)
- 42. **James R. Black**, Alliance [OH] police chief: pleaded guilty on July 9, 2001, to federal charges of helping "convicted bookie conduct a sports betting operation ... from 1994 to 1996; suspension and subsequent retirement in 1998 concerned "missing drugs and money from the department's property room," **not** later gambling charges
- 43. **Jason Bratka**, Perry Correctional Institution [SC] prison guard: accused of gambling on the job; <u>fired</u> in October 2000, but later <u>reinstated</u>
- 44. **Rahn Koon**, Perry Correctional Institution [SC] prison guard: accused of gambling on the job; <u>fired</u> in October 2000, but later <u>reinstated</u>
- 45. **James Rhodes**, Perry Correctional Institution [SC] prison guard sergeant: accused of gambling on the job; <u>fired</u> in October 2000, but later <u>reinstated</u>
- 46. **John Randall**, Perry Correctional Institution [SC] prison guard lieutenant: accused of gambling on the job; <u>fired</u> in October 2000, but later <u>reinstated</u>
- 47. Harry Lee Coe, Hillsborough County [FL] state attorney: accused of using "office computer to visit gambling Web sites" and of siphoning money "from his re-election campaign fund for gambling, a violation of state law"; committed suicide on July 13, 2000
- 48. **Donald Baird**, Florida Atlantic University [FL] professor: used "state-issued credit cards to wager ... on Internet gambling; resigned in August 2000
- 49. James D. "Jake" Pearson, DeSoto County [MS] supervisor: convicted of embezzlement ... "cashed certificates of deposit [held by DeSoto Shrine Club, where Pearson was "treasurer and game supervisor for the bingo operation"] and converted the proceeds to pay gambling debts"; resigned on May 1, 1999 "as part of a plea bargain on an embezzlement conviction"

- 50. **Martin L. Schmotzer**, Allegheny County [PA] deputy clerk of courts: accused of theft of public funds to use for gambling; <u>fired</u> in April 1997
- 51. **Tim Smith**, Dothan [AL] city commissioner: "accused of pressuring police to end a gambling probe"; resigned April 21, 1999
- 52. **John White**, Dothan [AL] police chief: accused of "push[ing] a politically sensitive gambling probe"; resigned in March 1999, but was reinstated in April 1999
- 53. Dan Kelly, Keewatin [MN] mayor: "charged with stealing thousands of dollars from a gambling operation intended to benefit charity, local government and scouting"; tendered resignation, to become effective August 1, 1998 [announced in July 24, 1998 issue of Minneapolis *Star Tribune* newspaper]
- 54. **Gary R. Reis**, Providence [RI] firefighter lieutenant: arrested in gambling crackdown in December 1997; placed on paid administrative leave
- 55. **Michael J. Kean**, Providence [RI] firefighter private: arrested in gambling crackdown in December 1997; placed on paid administrative leave
- 56. **Michael Blubaugh**, Cocoa [FL] police captain: convicted of running bookmaking operation in June 1997; <u>fired</u> in 1996 "after being indicted by federal prosecutors on charges of bookmaking"
- 57. Andrew Handzlik, Omaha [NE] Civic Auditorium city employee: "arrested on suspicion of running a gambling operations from his home"; <u>fired</u> in February 1997
- 58. **Deborah K. O'Malley**, Omaha [NE] city employee: "accused of accepting bets while making deliveries in a city car"; received 5-day suspension in 1997
- 59. **Eugene D. Hug**, Omaha [NE] public works drafting technician: accused of operating pool that "took \$3 bets on college football games"; received 10-day suspension in 1997
- 60. **John Alger**, West Palm Beach [FL] police officer: accused of "warning a racketeering suspect that he was being investigated on allegations of ... running a gambling operation"; placed on administrative leave on November 13, 1996
- 61. **Richard T. Kosakowski**, New York state trooper: "charged with betting on college and professional sports games"; <u>resigned</u> following his January 1997 arrest
- 62. Sebastian "Buster" Guzzardo Sr., Louisiana state representative: "pleaded guilty to a federal charge of conducting an illegal gambling business"; resigned May 1, 1996
- 63. **Peter A. Tonetti**, Pennsylvania state trooper: indicted on November 9, 1995, on federal charges of "collect[ing] kickbacks from six bookies while running his own gambling operation in Philadelphia between 1987 and 1993"; retired in 1993
- 64. Joe L. Sims, Lenoir City [TN] councilman: pleaded "guilty to an illegal gambling charge"; resigned in October 1995
- 65. **John Gaw**, New York City Police Department Public Morals Squad officer: "pleaded guilty ... to accepting bribes from organized crime figures in Chinatown for years and alerting them to police raids on illegal gambling dens ..." on June 13, 1995; resigned "several weeks ago"
- 66. **Angelo LaMonica**, Winthrop [MA] police chief: indicted on charges "to obstruct state gambling laws"; <u>retired</u> in February 1995
- 67. **Dennis Puening**, Brooklyn [OH] firefighter: charged with gambling; <u>fired</u> on February 17, 1994
- 68. James Dvorak, Cook County [IL] "undersheriff and Republican county chairman": "admitted conspiring to hide from the IRS legal gambling winnings ... helped [undersheriff administrative aide Mark A.] Richmond transfer gambling earnings in series of wire transfers to hide the income from the IRS," and accused of accepting "payoffs from two mobsters to protect their illegal gambling operations"; latter accusations "led to Dvorak's resignation in 1990 as county GOP chairman"; no information on how he left undersheriff position could be identified, even though he is continually referred to as the "former" undersheriff

- 69. Leo A. (Buddy) McHatton Jr., Chelsea [MA] police captain: indicted on charges of receiving "payments from other officers and bookmakers to help protect illegal gambling"; suspended without pay on March 1, 1993
- 70. **Michael Ajewski**, Chelsea [MA] police detective: pleaded guilty to "running an illegal video poker gambling operation ... and paying officers to protect ... operation," and allegedly accepted payoffs from bookmakers; "retired in the 1980s" on disability pension
- 71. **Joseph McCrann**, Chelsea [MA] police detective: pleaded guilty to "running an illegal video poker gambling operation ... and paying officers to protect ... operation," and allegedly accepted payoffs from bookmakers; "retired in the 1980s" on disability pension
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As instructed, the following list combines the first two lists on this topic that were previously sent to your office. This list, which is arranged alphabetically by state, consists of names that were identified in multiple NEXIS searches. Since no central repository of information on state and local officials who have left office due to gambling accusations or charges could be identified, this list cannot be considered comprehensive or complete. As suggested by Pat Ayers, copies of my NEXIS search strategies from the second round of searching follow the list. We hope this information is helpful.

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<u>Pennsylvania</u>

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<u>Tennessee</u>

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- 3. **John White**, Dothan police chief: accused of "push[ing] a politically sensitive gambling probe"; resigned in March 1999, but was reinstated in April 1999

<u>Arizona</u> (list includes persons caught in "AzScam" sting "run by Phoenix police and Maricopa County prosecutors")

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- 5. **Lori Jane Bistodeau**, Wickenburg town clerk: accused in December 13, 2000 indictment of "using a town computer and credit card to place bets with online casinos," and wagers were made "[f]rom September 1998 to August 2000"; lost job in 2000 "for undisclosed reasons"
- 6. **Carolyn Walker**, state Senate Majority Whip: "charged with accepting payoffs for pledging to support gambling legislation"; expelled March 20, 1991 [AzScam]
- 7. **Jesús Higuera**, state senator: "indicted in ... vote-selling scandal" concerning support of gambling legislation [see #35]; resigned March 19, 1991 and sentenced to jail [AzScam]
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- 14. **Johnny Venzon Jr.**, San Jose police officer: pleaded guilty in June 1998 to burglary, including robbing people on his beat to support gambling habit; <u>awarded</u> disability pension in November 1998 based on "pathological gambling"
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- 18. **Rick Freeman**, Inglewood police officer: accused of involvement "with an alleged station house gambling ring;" <u>fired</u> in 1994
- 19. **Dennis Hutcheson**, California Horse Racing Board executive secretary: charged with "mishandling three horse-drugging cases;" <u>fired</u> in February 1994
- 20. Alan Robbins, state senator: "agreed to plead guilty to federal ... charges of racketeering and income tax fraud," including taking bribes "for his help with a state lottery bill ... that would have required all game tickets be produced in California,"

giving the firm with "the lottery's initial scratch-off game contract, Georgia-based Scientific Games Inc., [which] was the only firm to have its own printing plant in the state at the time ... a monopoly if the measure were to pass;" resigned in November 1991 and agreed to 5-year prison term without parole

Colorado

- 21. **Houston "Huck" Henderson**, Division of Gaming chief of investigations: <u>retired</u> after being accused of operating casino chip collecting business (possible conflict of interest); reported June 2003 by Associated Press State & Local Wire
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- 24. **Craig Bridgmon**, Cripple Creek chief gaming investigator: <u>fired</u> in April 2000 over allegations of violating state conflict of interest law between employees and "the casinos the regulate"
- 25. **Bill Lorenz**, former Black Hawk mayor: <u>resigned</u> in 1991 "to comply with a state law that prohibits public officials from holding a gambling license"

Connecticut

- 26. **Joan L. Dent**, Board of Education payroll clerk: arrested on charges of embezzlement, apparently to support gambling habit; <u>fired</u> November 5, 2002
- 27. **Randy Annino**, Wallingford Police Department dispatcher: arrested on charges of running "betting ring while on duty;" resigned in February 1999
- 28. **Paul Santoro**, Darien finance officer: charged with embezzling "town's parking meter receipts," and used some of the quarters while gambling at casino; <u>fired December 1998</u>
- 29. Michael A. Barile, Windsor Locks police dispatcher: admitted to placing "sports bets with a police officer while on duty;" fired in 1991, but was ordered reinstated in 1992 because he was not fired "in a timely manner"
- 30. **Kenneth Kersias**, Windsor Locks patrolman: arrested January 3, 1991, and charged with "one count each of professional gambling and tampering with physical evidence"; accepted sports bets from #24; <u>suspended without pay</u>

Florida

- 31. **Donald Baird**, Florida Atlantic University professor: used "state-issued credit cards to wager ... on Internet gambling; resigned in August 2000
- 32. Harry Lee Coe, Hillsborough County state attorney: accused of using "office computer to visit gambling Web sites" and of siphoning money "from his re-election campaign fund for gambling, a violation of state law"; committed suicide on July 13, 2000
- 33. **Michael Blubaugh**, Cocoa police captain: convicted of running bookmaking operation in June 1997; <u>fired</u> in 1996 "after being indicted by federal prosecutors on charges of bookmaking"
- 34. **John Alger**, West Palm Beach police officer: accused of "warning a racketeering suspect that he was being investigated on allegations of ... running a gambling operation"; placed on administrative leave on November 13, 1996
- 35. **Richard Menard**, Madeira Beach police chief: "charged with gambling violations"; resigned in April 1991

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36. **David Wheat**, lieutenant with Austell Police Department: <u>fired</u> in December 2001 after being charged with three counts of gambling (among other charges)

Illinois

- 37. **Philip C. Parenti**, state Gaming Board head: <u>fired</u> by Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich on June 25, 2003: governor said Parenti's June 18, 2003 resignation from state position to work for gambling company represented conflict of interest with state ethics laws, and fired him instead
- 38. **Bill Myers**, former Woodford County sheriff: <u>resigned</u> in November 2001 after coming under investigation for charges on department credit cards; admitted to having gambling problem
- 39. **Joseph DeAnda**, Bensenville police sergeant: accused of stealing money confiscated in drug and gambling arrests; <u>retired/resigned</u> in June 2000 (article unclear on which action he took; mentions both)
- 40. **Bill Phillips**, former Hillsdale fire chief: <u>committed suicide</u> in 1999; after his death, it was learned that he had embezzled from the department to pay casino gambling debts
- 41. **Joe DiJohn**, director of Pace, suburban Chicago area bus agency: <u>retired May 31, 1998</u>; it had been claimed that he was spending time at betting parlors and strip clubs on the job, but internal investigation cleared him of wrongdoing
- 42. **James Dvorak**, Cook County "undersheriff and Republican county chairman": "admitted conspiring to hide from the IRS legal gambling winnings ... helped [undersheriff administrative aide Mark A.] Richmond transfer gambling earnings in series of wire transfers to hide the income from the IRS," and accused of accepting "payoffs from two mobsters to protect their illegal gambling operations"; latter accusations "led to Dvorak's resignation in 1990 as county GOP chairman"; though continually referred to as "former" undersheriff, no indication of how he left office
- 43. **Seymour Sapoznik**, Northlake police chief: investigated for "allegations of mob payoffs to police to protect illegal gambling operations in the two western suburbs"; <u>resigned</u> "in January 1995, a month after the electronic monitoring of his office telephone ended"

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- 60. **David LeMaster**, state senator: "convicted of lying to the FBI in 1994" in bribery scandal and "sentenced to a year in prison, fined \$55,000"; resigned post
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- 97. **Joseph D. Grossi**, Paterson police captain and vice squad commander: arrested in July 1989 and charged with "bribery and promoting gambling," but indictment was dismissed; April 1992 "In exchange for dismissal ... agreed to retire, never seek reinstatement in the city, and never seek employment in law enforcement in the state of New Jersey again"

New Mexico

98. Rafael "Ralph" Gutierrez, state Gaming Control Board gaming representative: resigned in April 2003 after Albuquerque Journal newspaper reported that Gutierrez, appointed by Gov. Bill Richardson, had not disclosed ties to company that "provided a loan and supplied slot machines to an Indian casino operating unlawfully in California ... and [to] a second slot-machine company"

New York

- 99. **Richard T. Kosakowski**, state trooper: "charged with betting on college and professional sports games"; resigned following his January 1997 arrest
- 100. **John Gaw**, New York City Police Department Public Morals Squad officer: "pleaded guilty ... to accepting bribes from organized crime figures in Chinatown for years and alerting them to police raids on illegal gambling dens ..." on June 13, 1995; <u>resigned</u> "several weeks ago"

Ohio

- 101. **James R. Black**, Alliance police chief: pleaded guilty on July 9, 2001, to federal charges of helping "convicted bookie conduct a sports betting operation ... from 1994 to 1996; <u>suspension and subsequent retirement</u> in 1998 concerned "missing drugs and money from the department's property room," <u>not</u> later gambling charges
- 102. **Dennis Puening**, Brooklyn firefighter: charged with gambling; <u>fired</u> on February 17, 1994

Pennsylvania

- 103. **Martin L. Schmotzer**, Allegheny County deputy clerk of courts: accused of theft of public funds to use for gambling; <u>fired</u> in April 1997
- 104. Ernie Preate Jr., state attorney general: resigned in 1995 after pleading guilty to fraud stemming from "taking secret campaign contributions from operators of illegal video poker machines"
- 105. **Peter A. Tonetti**, state trooper: indicted on November 9, 1995, on federal charges of "collect[ing] kickbacks from six bookies while running his own gambling operation in Philadelphia between 1987 and 1993"; retired in 1993

Rhode Island

- 106. **Gary R. Reis**, Providence firefighter lieutenant: arrested in gambling crackdown in December 1997; placed on paid administrative leave
- 107. **Michael J. Kean**, Providence firefighter private: arrested in gambling crackdown in December 1997; <u>placed on paid administrative leave</u>

South Carolina (list includes persons caught in FBI "Operation Lost Trust" sting/see names in <u>box</u>)

- 108. **Jason Bratka**, Perry Correctional Institution prison guard: accused of gambling on the job; fired in October 2000, but later reinstated
- 109. **Rahn Koon**, Perry Correctional Institution prison guard: accused of gambling on the job; <u>fired</u> in October 2000, but later <u>reinstated</u>
- 110. **James Rhodes**, Perry Correctional Institution prison guard sergeant: accused of gambling on the job; <u>fired</u> in October 2000, but later <u>reinstated</u>
- 111. **John Randall**, Perry Correctional Institution prison guard lieutenant: accused of gambling on the job; <u>fired</u> in October 2000, but later <u>reinstated</u>
 - 112. **Ken Bailey**, state representative: convicted of "selling vote for \$500 in '90" for pari-mutuel racing bill and "sentenced to two years and three months in prison"; suspended from post
- 113. Larry Blanding, state representative: charged with selling "vote in exchange for \$1,300" for pari-mutuel racing bill; convicted of extortion in 1991 and again in 1999; sentenced to 2½ years in prison; suspended from post and expelled from House following conviction

- 114. **Robert Brown**, state representative: pleaded guilty to taking \$2,000 bribe in exchange for vote on gambling bill; sentenced to "six months in a halfway house and 200 hours of community service ... placed on five years probation"; resigned from post one day before being indicted
- 115. Wade Crow, state highway commissioner and lobbyist: pleaded guilty to "one count of aiding and abetting ... in extorting a bribe"; resigned from commission
- 116. Paul Derrick, state representative: convicted on "two counts of violating the Hobbs Act"; expelled from House following conviction
- 117. **James Faber**, state representative: pleaded guilty to one count of violating Hobbs Act and later convicted; <u>resigned</u> following indictment
- 118. Ennis Fant, state representative: charged with "one count of conspiracy to violate the Hobbs Act"; suspended from post
- 119. **James "Tee" Ferguson**, circuit court judge (and former representative): "convicted in 1991 on federal vote-buying charges"; <u>suspended</u>, and later <u>resigned</u>, from bench; sentenced to prison on drug charges
- 120. **Benjamin James "B. J." Gordon**, state representative: convicted of "conspiracy to violate the Hobbs Act"; <u>suspended</u> and later <u>expelled</u> from post
- 121. **David Hawkins**, director of legislative affairs for Gov. Carroll Campbell: pleaded guilty to "obstruction of justice"; "took medical leave in October 1990"; planned to "seek permanent medical disability"
- 122. **James V. Hopkins**, "director of marketing and customer support for Clemson University's division of computing and information technology": pleaded guilty to "one count of cocaine possession"; <u>reassigned</u> to another position and later <u>resigned</u>
- 123. **Robert Kohn**, state representative: pleaded guilty to "conspiracy to violate the Hobbs Act"; <u>suspended</u> and later <u>resigned</u> from post; said "he would not seek reelection"
- 124. **Rick Lee**, state senator: pleaded guilty to "one count of violating the Hobbs Act" and accepting \$2,000 bribe; <u>resigned</u> after being indicted; sentenced to "six months in a halfway house," "five years' probation. Ordered to pay \$3,000 in restitution"
- 125. **Thomas Limehouse**, state representative: charged with "violating the Hobbs Act and obstruction of justice"; "sentenced to 20 months in prison"; <u>suspended</u>; announced that "would not seek re-election"
- 126. **Bud Long**, state senator: convicted of selling vote in exchange for bribe; <u>"term expired"</u>
- 127. **Frank McBride**, state representative: pleaded guilty to selling vote in exchange for bribe; <u>resigned</u> day of indictment
- 128. **Donna Moss**, state representative: pleaded guilty to "one count of possession of cocaine"; resigned post; sentenced to "three years' probation and a \$2,500 fine"
- 129. **Jack Rogers**, House Speaker Pro Tem: pleaded guilty to "racketeering charge"; resigned "from the House and from his leadership post"
- 130. **Luther Taylor**, state representative: convicted of "conspiracy to violate the Hobbs Act"; <u>suspended</u>; sentenced to "6½ years in federal prison"
- 131. **Tim Wilkes**, state representative: charged with accepting bribe in exchange for gambling vote; found not guilty; <u>suspended</u>
- 132. **Daniel Winstead**, state representative: pleaded guilty to violating Hobbs Act and obstruction of justice: <u>resigned</u> from post; sentenced to "2½ years in prison, three years' probation and a \$25,000 fine"

Tennessee

133. **Joe L. Sims**, Lenoir City councilman: pleaded "guilty to an illegal gambling charge"; resigned in October 1995

West Virginia

- 134. **Joseph Giaquinto**, State Police corporal: "accused of playing poker and playing gray video lottery machines" during 1999 FBI gambling raid; <u>fired</u> June 2001
- 135. **Janice Harris**, Eastern Regional Jail guard and commissary clerk: accused of playing cards with prisoners and wagering "[c]andy bars from the commissary cart"; <u>fired</u> January 7, 1994

Wisconsin

136. Sandra L. Greger, Town of Sheboygan administrator: accused of embezzlement from the town, allegedly to support "gambling habit"; resigned January 2002